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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: IRANIAN REQUEST FOR ANTI-HIJACKING INFORMATION/
TRAINING

REF: A. STATE 241496 B. STATE 249236

1. LT COL BAFEKR AND HIS DEPUTY, MAJOR AHMAD SEYDKALAL, OF IRAN AIR STAFF RESPONSIBLE FOR COUNTERING HI-JACKINGS, GREATLY APPRECIATIVE OF INFORMATION CONTAINED REFERENCE TELEGRAMS AND POUCHED MATERIALS. BAFEKR EXPECTS RECOMMEND TO IRAN AIR MANAGING DIRECTOR THAT ONE OFFICER (POSSIBLY HIMSELF) ATTEND FAA AVIATION SECURITY COURSE.

2. BECAUSE THIS IS NEW STAFF IN IRAN AIR AND BAFEKR AND SEYDKALAL ARE INEXPERIENCED IN ANTI-HIJACKING OPERATIONS (ALTHOUGH BOTH IMPRESS EMBOFF AS BEING DEDICATED AND INTERESTED) THEY ARE UNABLE TO DRAW UP SPECIFIC LIST OF DETAILED NEEDS FOR TRAINING, BUT EMBASSY AND THEY BELIEVE THEY WOULD BENEFIT FROM TRAINING AT FBI ACADEMY, POSSIBILITY RAISED IN REF B. GIVEN FBI'S EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN COUNTERING HI-JACKING OPERATIONS OVER NUMBER OF YEARS, EMB BELIEVES THAT FBI IN BEST POSITION TO SUGGEST COURSE OF INSTRUCTION FOR IRANIANS (PROBABLY FOR EITHER BAFEKR OR SEYDKALAL, BOTH OF WHOM HAVE RECEIVED US MILITARY TRAINING IN UN*TED STATES) TO INCLUDE ROLE OF PSYCHOLOGY IN DEALING WITH HI-JACKERS; BREIFINGSON WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT AND PRACTICE IN USING THEM; HAND*TO HAND COMBAT; PRACTICE WORK WITH DEMOLITIONS.

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3. REQUEST DEPT DETERMINE IF FBI COULD PROPOSE SP*ECIFIC C*URSE

TO INCLUDE ABOVE SUBJECTS (AND ANYTHING ELSE FBI BELIEVES APPROPRIATE AND USEFUL IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES) AND PROVIDE US WITH COST DATA AND POSSIBLE STARTING TIME, HOPEFULLY EARLY. AS BAFEKR'S GROUP IS RESPONSIBLE FOR COUNTERING HI-JACKINGS IN IRAN AGAINST ANY AIRLINE, EMB BELIEVES IT IN OUR INTEREST TO BE OF ASSISTANCE TO IRAN AIR ON THIS SUBJECT.

4. IN REGARD TO TWO SLIDE-TAPE PRESENTATIONS ENTITLED "AVIATION EXPLOSIVES SECURITY FOR GROUND OPERATIONS" WHICH MAILED BY FAA TO IRAN AIR IN SEPTEMBER 1973, BAFEKR CAN FIND NO RECORD OF RECEIPT OF THIS ITEM, NOR ANY KNOWLEDGE OF IT BY IRAN AIR SECURITY PERSONNEL. WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT CHECKING TO DETERMINE TO WHOM PRESENTATION WAS MAILED. IF POSSIBLE, CAN FAA SUPPLY ANOTHER SET?
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